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January 21st, 1919.

Prof. Karl P. Harrington,
163 High Street,
Middletown, Conn.

My dear Sir:-

Since your visit to our Museum the other day I have been regretting somewhat mentioning to you the question of membership in our Society. I have been afraid that you might be hesitant about availing yourself of such assistance as we could give you unless you became a member.

Let me assure you that you may feel perfectly free to call upon us at any time. It is much more important to us that we establish a cordial relation between ourselves and those who have an interest in any of the different phases of our work than that we secure an additional member.

As I said, I shall be very glad to furnish you with plaster casts of any Roman coins which are in our collection, and I hope we may hear from you soon.

Yours very truly,

Assistant to the Curator.

KARL P. HARRINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF LATIN
WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY
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Dec. 3, 1920.

My dear Mr. Wyman:

I have only had time to glance at the handsome coins you have sent, and I have to go to Boston today. On my return I will look them over more carefully, and consider the state of the fund, and decide on the matter as promptly as may be. Meanwhile, perhaps it would help me to know what it is best for me to do, if you could give me an idea whether there is good reason to expect I could supplement this group with a considerably larger one of the same general kind, at any such price as you suggested to me recently in New York, i.e. whether there is reason to hope for such a chance materializing in the near future?

Cordially yours,

Karl P. Harrington

December 9th, 1920

Mr. Karl T. Harrington
Wesleyan University
Middletown, Ct.

Dear Sir:

It is very difficult to predict what may happen in the coin market, and so I would hardly like to express an opinion as to how soon such a collection of Roman coins as I have discussed with you might be secured.

In the last two years I have had three opportunities to buy from fifty to two hundred Republican denarii at prices varying from 20 to 40¢ a piece, but whether another opportunity of the same sort will occur in the next two years is difficult to say.

As a matter of fact, these pieces are constantly on the market in smaller lots and can frequently be picked up at the auctions, some four to ten pieces at a time for about 50¢ a piece. It would, however, be possible to purchase through some of the European dealers very cheaply, and I could assist you in doing that if you decide to start a collection. I hope to be in Europe next summer and would then, of course, be better able to serve you.

In regard to the coins I sent you, I am quite sure that specimens as fine as those could not be secured in this country for much less than twice the prices given on the pieces. They certainly could not be so purchased if bought from regular dealers, and I am quite sure that they would form the nucleus of a very interesting collection. It would, also, be possible for you to select from the lot such pieces as you wanted, and return the rest. If, however, you should take the entire lot I am authorized to offer you a 5% discount for cash.

Very truly yours,

Assistant Curator

KARL P. HARRINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF LATIN
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MIDDLETOWN, CONN.

June 23, 1921.

My dear Mr. Wyman,

If you are to be abroad this summer, as you planned, I shall be glad to have you bear me in mind, if you run across any good bargains in Roman Republican money, such as you hoped to find, when last I talked with you.

I hope you will have a pleasant summer, and good success.

Cordially yours,

Karl P. Harrington

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June 28th, 1921

Mr. Karl P. Harrington
Department of Latin
Wesleyan University
Middletown, Conn.

Dear Mr. Harrington:

Mr. Wyman left for Europe
in May. A letter will reach him ad-
dressed to C/o American Express Com-
pany, 11 Rue Scribe, Paris.

Very truly yours,

Curator

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